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## BETHEL.

Mr. Ebenezer Moore of West Bethel, who drove team for Mr. Dana Hall, the past winter, took the job to haul the jam of logs on the bank of the stream. While at work last Friday, while helping roll the logs, the jam started suddenly and he was taken along with them into the water where he came near being drowned, several ribs are broken and other serious injuries and it is a wonder if he escapes with his life.

E. Richardson & Son were not able to run their mill a part of last week on account of water settling under the mill.

H. C. Andrews has had some nice top buggies arrive which he will sell at his stable.

George Robertson has arrived and he is ready to do your house painting.

At the Society and Parish meeting of the first Congregational Church, a vote was passed earnestly requesting Rev. Mr. Bowler to withdraw his resignation read from the pulpit, the 13th. It is not as yet decided.

Mr. Cook was injured badly, by put out of joint, three ribs broken and internally, at the Chapman landing while breaking a jam of logs last Friday, the 18th.

C. H. Grover has not as yet been able to leave his house, although improving.

The Bethel sporting club went to Portland the 17th, but were not successful in bringing home the badge although they best, yet their conduct is good and say that they shall try again.

Good level ground, grade, and shape, build them a building and have everything in first-class order, to enjoy their sport at piggyon shooting.

Monday, E. M. Johnson, at his saw-mill, came near being hurt badly. He got caught and was carried around the shaft to the draw up quite a number of times.

## LOCKE'S MILLS.

Mr. Wm. Whitman bought a nice yoke of 5 years old cattle of John Chase for one hundred dollars.

The selectmen adjusted the taxes last week at the Mr. Abram Hall.

Friday water was so high the mills had to shut down.

Our landlord has as nice a stepping horse as there is in this place; color, dapple gray.

We should like to see John Henry up this way with the kaiser's coat.

Emery Young and family, who went to Portland last fall, has returned to his farm again.

The following are the officers in dist. No. 10: Wm. E. Johnson, E. G. Curran, and the agent is to get word.

The following is the republican town committee: Eben E. Rand, Edward Penney, J. G. Richardson, J. G. Curran, Ira C. Jordan. Delegates to District Convention: E. E. Rand and E. G. Curran. Delegates to State Convention: I. C. Jordan, and J. G. Curran.

## WATERFORD.

Mrs. A. M. J. M. had her dress making room dressed to a new coat of paint and paper. J. B. Field did the work.

Dr. Charles M. Carlton and sons of Norwich, Conn., are stopping with Capt. C. L. Appleby and wife at the Waterford House.

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## ANDOVER.

Joseph H. Abbott of So. Andover, while at work in J. Lyman Ripley's saw mill, was severely injured by the axe going completely through his hip entering the sole of his boot.

Every one is anxious to get "river driving" this spring. The principle driver of the north part of the town are under the charge of Fred J. Rolfe and Horace Harmon, that at the south part, Frank Thoms. But several other parties are taking a hand in it. Noble Small esq. is bossing a small Uncle Joe Chapman is showing how he can break a "jam," by driving out the Sprague and Chapman lumber. The popular landlady at So. Andover is driven out by Frank Perkins.

Sylvanus Poor esq., who has been very sick for some time, is improving.

Two of our young men, F. W. Eaton and Samuel Clark started for the west last Monday. The destination of Mr. Eaton is either Washington Ter. or Texas, that of Mr. Clark, the Great West. We wish them success.

Several wild geese were seen in the river last week.

M. F. Corson hurt one of his hands very severely a few days ago. Cause base ball.

OTISFIELD.

A Memorial service is strongly talked of to be held on Meeting House Hill.

Chas. F. Hancock is fitting up for the manufacture of custom clothing at his place.

The Maines Bros. and Sam'l Mayberry are doing a smart business sawing wood with horse power.

The high school at Sparrow's Corner is well up with a drama and a grand exhibition.

## MARK TAPLEY.

Stephen D. Johnson is doing a large amount of sawing of various kinds of lumber. We are sure he is getting on well.

David H. Lewis, of this town, owns a fine smoke stack of his engine some 30 feet high.

We have news of the recent death of David H. Lewis, of this town, D. T. Oldfield and one of our most prominent citizens.

Frederick Brooks has a very fine colt, 5 years old of the Messenger and Morgan blood; stands 14 hands high; color, steel gray; perfectly kind and well broke, and his rider to be a step-gang if applied for soon.

Ansie F. Brooks is still living, but helpless and no prospect of his recovery.

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EAST STONEHAM.

Our school in district No. 1 commences the 10th of May.

Mr. L. E. Evans of this town is repairing his building, a dark olive.

Mr. Albion Moody of this town owns a four year old heifer, past Jersey, of better five days and sold a quart of milk a day from the milking. Mr. Moody has a fine cow.

Benjamin Harrison, of No. Lovell, lost a valuable cow recently from eating parsnips.

Mr. Geo. McAllister, the blacksmith of Lovell, met with an accident a few days since, while sharpening a harrow tooth, he struck the tooth with a hammer when it flew from the tongs, and struck him in the forehead, causing an ugly wound, and he is now confined to the house and under a physician's care. N. M. H.

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Roberts Bros' furniture shop came near being undermined last Saturday by water gully under the sluice way. O. D. Rolfe has sheared his flock of 200 sheep, whose united fleeces weighed 27 pounds.

A man in our village who makes a regular practice of "hooting" every frosty morning while passing to his work, gave us some "dicky leapers" last Monday and Tuesday.

Isaac Bagnall has started up his wool-mill with a full force of operatives. The mill has been stopped all winter for want of water.

SWEDEN.

Your compositor made me bumble badly in my item about farm and cattle in your issue of two weeks ago. But as most of the errors are in part not affecting any one except myself, I will ask only one correction.

In speaking of S. Jason Marr's calf, you would have said it was giving nearly five feet. A calf of ten months old giving five feet is a large one, but Jason's is an uncommonly large one.

Albion Nevers is very sick with pneumonia, but some hopes are entertained of his recovery.

Samuel Beardsley, engineer at the steam mill in this place, has been visiting her relative in this place, and is going to Mass.

Wm. H. Kneeland is improving somewhat in health, but is poorly now.

GRAFTON.

Talk about April showers! We have not seen the sun since the 1st of March, and then it came but once for over a month, and then it came but a minute and a half and went unthoughtless.

River driving has begun on Bear River and about to begin on Cedar Brook and Cambridge River. Owing to so many logs being cut from last year, it will probably be hard driving.

I. Brown overhauls the work on both streams, so I understand.

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Moses Chesley, who has been so violently sick, is reported much better.

Mrs. Henry R. Everett is sick with pneumonia. A bright and interesting little daughter of Adina Symonds died on Wednesday last week.

Our schools commenced Monday. J. H. Chapman has purchased a fine horse.

Mrs. P. Rich, since Christmas beside doing her house work has made 100 pairs of pants, 2 log cabin quilts, 30 embroidered aprons, braided 4 yds and 6 yds of stockings, beside traveling to Mechanic Falls twice and back, a distance of 6 miles. That if you can.

Amongst the other losses occasioned by the burning of John Dunn's buildings, was a picker filled with rare and curious gold and silver coins.

Mr. Betsy Newcomb who has been visiting her relative in this place, has returned to Portland. Mrs. Newcomb has gained a first-class reputation as a nurse.

Fast Day passed off very pleasantly despite the disagreeable weather. A band gave an open air entertainment, and the one given by the Oxford Corners band, which was well played for the band's benefit.

Ducks have not been so plenty for years as they are now. A few wild geese were occasionally seen. Partridges are abundant in the woods, and promise a plentiful supply this fall. A rare curiosity for this region has been seen. The carcass of a pair of sea-gulls.

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